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1. The following combat support (boyevoye obespecheniye) elements are included in a wartime Soviet rifle regiment:
  - a. One reconnaissance company which has two platoons. Each platoon has three sections, each of which has one PTR and one RPD. There are 26 men in a platoon and 59 men in the company. The company is equipped with seven PTRs, seven RPDs, one R-105 radio, and one armored carrier.
  - b. One signal company.
  - c. One engineer company, which has an engineer reconnaissance section consisting of seven men and one armored carrier.
  - d. One chemical defense platoon, which has a chemical reconnaissance section consisting of seven men and one armored carrier.
  - e. One traffic control platoon (vzvod regulirovaniya).
  - f. One headquarters platoon (komendantskiy vzvod).
2. A wartime rifle regiment of a Soviet rifle division has the following combat units subordinate to it:
  - a. Three rifle battalions.
  - b. One 85 mm self-mobile gun battery with nine weapons.
  - c. One 107 mm recoilless weapons battery with six recoilless weapons.
  - d. One 120 mm mortar battery with six mortars.
  - e. One SU-85 gun battery with seven SU-85 weapons.
  - f. One antiaircraft artillery and machine gun battalion (zenitno-pulemetnyy artilleriyskiy division) equipped with 37 mm guns.

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Totals for a rifle regiment:

## Personnel:

Officers	201
NCOs (serzhanty)	445
EM (ryadovoy sostav)	<u>1,977</u>
Total	2,623

## Weapons:

SU-85 -7	Heavy machine guns (Goryunova) -18
85 mm self-mobile guns - 6	Company machine guns (RP-46) - 27
57 mm self-mobile guns - 9	Hand machine guns - 91
107 mm recoilless weapons - 6	Anti-tank grenade launchers (ruchnoy protivotankovyy granatomët--RPG), RPG-2 - 81
82 mm recoilless weapons - 18	
37 mm antiaircraft guns - 8	Armored carriers (bronetransportër) - 64
120 mm mortars - 6	14.5 mm four-barreled (schetverënnyy) AA mountings - 6
82 mm mortars - 18	
14.5 mm infantry heavy caliber machine gun (PKP) - 6	14.5 mm twin-barreled (sparennyy) antiaircraft mountings - 24

## 3. A wartime rifle battalion of a Soviet rifle regiment consists of the following units:

- a. Command (komandovaniye) - three men.
- b. Staff (shtab) - seven men.
- c. Aircraft warning unit (Post VNOS) - four men.
- d. Signal platoon - 21 men.
- e. Three rifle companies, each with the following personnel and equipment:
  - (1) Company headquarters - six men.
  - (2) Three platoons, with 28 men per platoon. Each platoon has three sections, each of which has eight men and is equipped with one hand machine gun, RP (ruchnoy pulemët), one RPG-2, and one VG-45 rifle grenade launcher (vintovochnyy granatomët). Thus, each platoon has three RPs, three RPG-2s, and three VG-45s.
  - (3) One company MG platoon with 11 men and three RP-46 company machine guns (rotnoy pulemët).
  - (4) One engineer section - four men.

A rifle company in a rifle battalion has, therefore, 105 men, nine RPG-2s, nine RPs, nine VG-45s, and three RP-46s.
- f. One machine gun company which contains the following:
  - (1) Company headquarters - three men.

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- (2) Two MG platoons, with three sections per platoon; each section has one heavy machine gun (stankovyy pulemēt) Goryunova.
  - (3) One infantry large caliber machine gun section (pekhotnyy krupnokalibernyy pulemēt--PKP), equipped with one PKP 14.5 mm MG.
- g. One mortar battery, with 46 men, which has the following:
- (1) Battery headquarters (upravleniye) - three men.
  - (2) Headquarters section (otdeleniye upravleniya) - seven men.
  - (3) Two 82 mm mortar platoons, each of which has three mortars and two armored carriers.
- h. One artillery battery consisting of:
- (1) Headquarters - three men.
  - (2) One 57 mm self-mobile gun (samodvizhuyushchaya pushka) platoon, with 25 men, three 57 mm self-mobile guns, and three armored carriers.
  - (3) One 82 mm recoilless weapons platoon, consisting of 29 men, six 82 mm recoilless weapons, and three armored carriers.
- i. One antiaircraft machine gun battery which has:
- (1) Headquarters - five men.
  - (2) Two AA MG platoons, each with 25 men and four ZPU-2 MGs.
- j. One supply platoon (vzvod snabzheniya), with 14 men.
- k. One vehicle repair shop, with four men.
- l. One medical aid point, with seven men.

Totals for a rifle battalion in a rifle regiment:

Personnel - 576

82 mm recoilless weapons - 6	RP-46 machine guns - 9
57 mm self-mobile weapons - 3	Heavy MGs (Goryunova) - 6
82 mm mortars - 6	PKP 14.5 mm MGs - 2
ZPU-2 machine guns - 8	RPG-2 anti-tank grenade launchers - 27
RP machine guns - 27	VG-45 rifle grenade launchers - 27

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